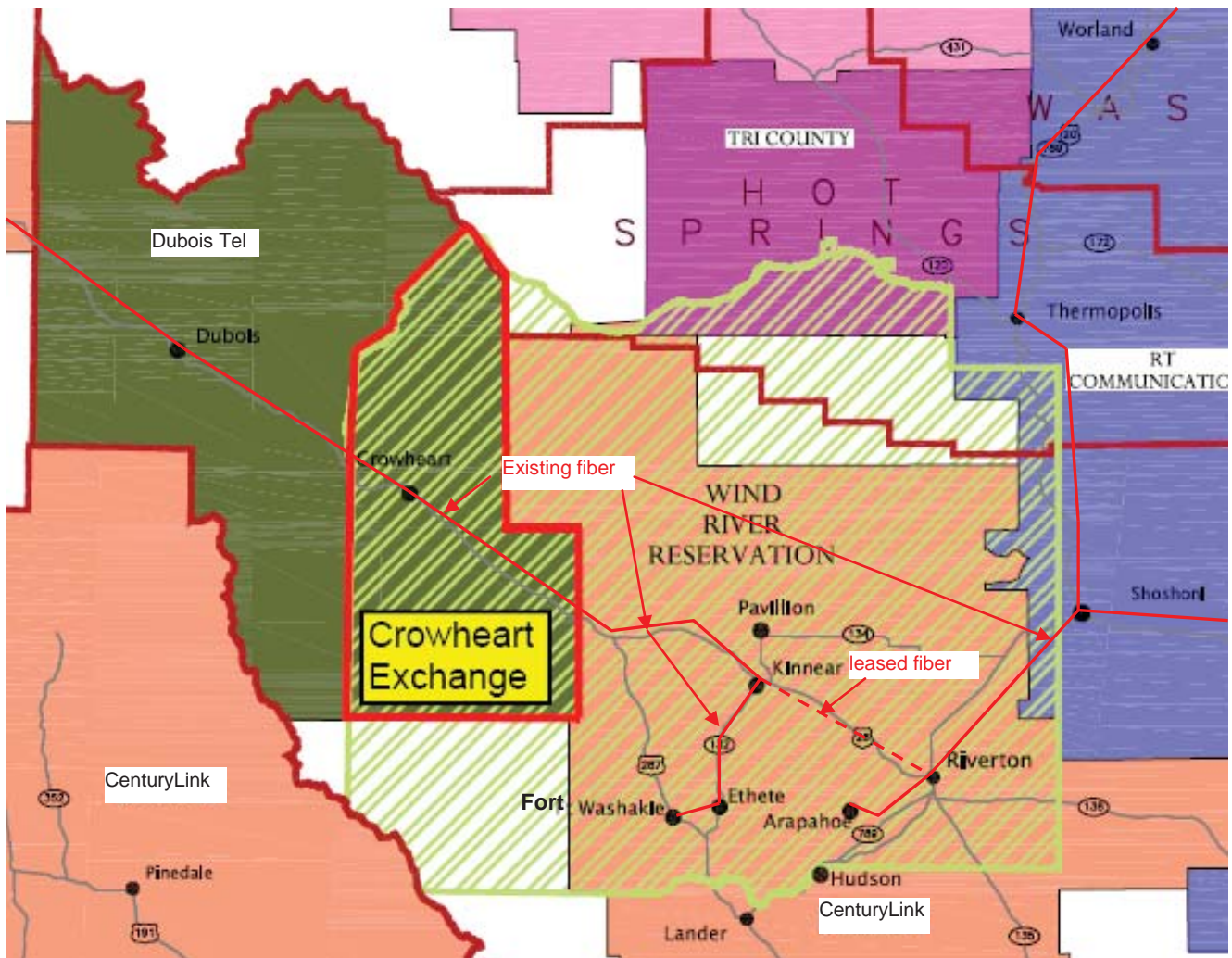


Tribal Engagement Summary 2013

Dubois Telephone Exchange, Inc.

The Wind River Reservation (see map below) is approximately 2.2 million acres in size, and is home to the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Tribes. Reservation land categories include a mixture of Tribal Trust, Tribal Allotted, Bureau of Reclamation withdrawal/ceded, and deeded or fee lands owned mostly by non-Tribal residents. Each Tribe has a ½ undivided interest in all Tribal Trust Lands. The Reservation is governed by a Joint Business Council (JBC) comprised of individual Business Council members of both Tribes. The JBC works in partnership with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in matters of Trust and Fiduciary responsibilities. Any activity affecting Tribal lands within the exterior boundary of the Reservation requires approval and resolution of the JBC; and permitting by the BIA.



Primary Reservation Communities

Fort Washakie. Ft Washakie is home to most Tribal and Federal government entities serving the Reservation, including the Shoshone Business Council (SBC), JBC, BIA, Indian Health Service (IHS) Clinic/Hospital, Ft Washakie School, Tribal DEQ, USFW, Housing Authorities, Law Enforcement, and various Shoshone Tribal enterprises. Ft Washakie is about 7 miles from the Shoshone Tribe's Shoshone Rose Casino.

Ethete. Ethete is home to the Arapaho Business Council, the Wind River Tribal College, Little Wind Casino (Arapaho Tribe), Wind River Indian High School, Ethete Middle School, and various Arapaho Tribal enterprises.

Arapahoe. Arapahoe is home to an IHS clinic/hospital extension, Arapahoe School and various Arapaho Tribal enterprises. Arapahoe is about 5 miles from the Arapaho Tribe's Big Wind Casino. (*note: Arapaho are the "people"; and Arapahoe is the "place".*)

Crowheart. Crowheart serves primarily as a gathering place for rural residents living in the far western part of the Reservation.

The communities of **Kinnear, Pavillion and Riverton** are located on ceded Reservation land. Even though they are located within the exterior boundary of the Reservation, they are not subject to Reservation authority. Riverton (pop est 10,000) is the commercial hub of Fremont County. Many Reservation residents do their shopping in Riverton, seek additional medical attention; and due to a shortage of housing elsewhere on the Reservation, seek housing in Riverton.

Dubois Telephone Exchange Reservation Serving Area

Dubois Telephone Exchange, Inc. (DTE) serves the Crowheart Exchange, a small portion of the western part of the Wind River Reservation, (*see map*). The small community of Crowheart is not an incorporated town, but rather a gas station/post office, small grocery store and trading post. Nearby is the small Crowheart Elementary school (enrollment 7), and Big Wind Hall (Eastern Shoshone Tribe), which includes a Senior center, community center and library. Crowheart serves as a community gathering place for area ranches, farms and home sites. Most residents live along Highway 26/287 and rural roads along either side of the highway. The majority of the Reservation in DTE's certificated serving area is undeveloped Tribal Trust range land, forest and wilderness.

DTE serves 109 access lines (88 Res & 21 Bus) in the Crowheart Exchange. This number has remained relatively stable for the last 15 years. There are currently 62 broadband subscribers. The Crowheart Exchange is a mixture of Tribal Trust, Allotted and Deeded (non-Reservation) lands. The population makeup is estimated 40% Native American and 60% non-Native.

The primary anchor institutions important to Tribal residents are the Crowheart Elementary School and the Big Wind Hall. Both locations are connected to Fiber optics and have broadband capabilities in excess of 10mb.

Tribal Engagement Obligations Ongoing (2006 to 2013)

Since the fiber optic infrastructure was lit in 2006, DTE, ACT (*Range Family CLEC*) have continued working with both Tribes to bring additional Tribal entities on line. A summary of key institutions and locations to date that have fiber optic connectivity and **broadband service** or have **services pending** include:

Fort Washakie

- Joint Tribal Minerals Management (**broadband service**)
- Joint Business Council Headquarters (**broadband service**)
- Shoshone Business Council Headquarters (**broadband service**)
- Shoshone Tribal Credit Union (**broadband services pending 2014**)
- Frank B Wise Entrepreneurial Center (**broadband service**)
 - Wind River Development Fund
 - Shoshone Tribal Attorney General
 - UWyo outreach
- IHS Headquarters/Hospital (**broadband service**)
- Shoshone Tribal Clinic (**broadband services pending 2014**)
- BIA Headquarters (**broadband services pending**)
- BIA Law Enforcement (**broadband services pending**)

Fort Washakie (cont)

- Dialysis Center (**broadband services pending 2014**)
- Ft Washakie School/Library (**broadband service**)

Ethete

- Little Wind Casino (**broadband service**)
- Wind River Tribal college (**broadband service**)
- Arapaho Business Council Headquarters (**broadband service**)
- Wind River Indian High School (**broadband service**)
- Ethete Middle School (**broadband service**)

Arapahoe

- Arapahoe School (**broadband service**)
- IHS Hospital/Clinic extension (**broadband service**)
- Arapaho Tribal Services (**NATI pending completion of Tribal provided fiber optic facility**)
- St Stephens High School (**broadband service by NATI**)
- NATI (Northern Arapaho Tribal Industries) (**broadband service**)

Crowheart

- Big Wind Hall/Community Center & Library (**broadband service**)
- Crowheart Elementary School (**broadband service**)

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Even though DTE's certificated serving area covers only the far western part of the Wind River Indian Reservation, DTE made a commitment during the fiber project through the Reservation, to assist both Tribes when they have communications questions anywhere on the Reservation. DTE's General Manager routinely visits with Tribal Leaders and the BIA who request meetings to talk about communications issues; or via casual drop-in visits when traveling through the Reservation. DTE serves as primary Tribal contact when working with ACT to provide telecommunications and broadband services to Tribal Entities outside DTE's Reservation serving area.

2013 Highlights

- Baldwin & Crocker (Arapaho Attorneys). Conference call to discuss existing fiber route, and obstacles to finishing Ethete to Arapaho route.
- Numerous interactions with Adam Patrick Lawson, Tribal Entrepreneur and GM of Wind River Internet, a Northern Arapaho Tribal Industries (NATI) company, that provides last mile wireless broadband to residents of the Wind River Indian Reservation (WRIR).
 - Provided Reservation fiber map and advice for appearance before SBC to expand service in Fort Washakie area.
 - DTE & ACT worked with NATI to turn up ethernet circuits for Wind River Internet in Ethete and Ft Washakie.
 - Arranged for Wyoming Select Committee on Tribal Relations to hear presentation from Adam Lawson about his efforts to provide broadband to Reservation residents.
 - Provided Adam with introduction to Troy Babbitt, Broadband Enterprise Architect, Wyoming Department of Enterprise Technology Services.
 - Recommended Wind River Internet as a presenting company at Annual Wyoming Broadband Summit in October.
- Received final BIA permit to plow fiber to Big Wind Hall. Fiber installed to Big Wind and Crowheart School, mid-May. (both locations in Crowheart Exchange)

2013 Highlights (cont)

- Late May Visit to IHS and update on pending fiber build to IHS facilities in Ft Washakie and Arapaho. Met with Rick Brannon, Director and Lena Whiteman, Site Manager. Given name of Dwayne Stiffarm, IT manager at Arapahoe to coordinate.
 - Follow up meeting in July to check on satisfaction with new service. Met with and escorted around by Leta Whiteman, Site Manager. She indicated that upgraded service has made a big difference.
- Several visits over course of the year with Brett White, Executive Director of the Wind River Development Fund (WRDF). Discussions about Tribal Cloud initiatives, Distance Education (higher learning) for Tribal members, WRDF developed business management software.
 - Brief visits with George Guina, WRDF IT support. General discussions about bandwidth needs, QOS and opportunities at Fort Washakie.
 - DTE GM asked to serve as Associate Board Member of WRDF...may accept pending discussion of potential conflict of interest.
- Several meetings and updates with IT managers for Wind River Indian/Ethete Middle School; and Ft Washakie Schools to discuss additional bandwidth needs, help relocate some fiber facilities and provide advice for pending new schools construction.
- Courtesy visits to TERO assisting with updated compliance requirements for communications companies working on the WRIR.
- Courtesy visits with Clint Wagon, Project Manager for Shoshone Rose Casino expansion. Discussed challenges for adequate bandwidth to casino as well as other options for bandwidth provision.
- Courtesy visits to Ft Washakie to discuss service options for Shoshone Tribal Credit Union, Tribal Housing move, Tribal Health Clinic, Tribal law enforcement, Tribal Dialysis center. Provided recommendations and alternatives that could save on construction costs. Also recommended Tribal entities ask local Tribal Wireless Entrepreneur-Wind River Internet for a bid to provide service.
- Testified before the Wyoming Legislature Select Committee on Tribal Relations in July about the state of Broadband Connectivity on the Reservation. Also introduced Patrick Adam Lawson, Wind River Internet, to the committee. The Committee was impressed at the work Wind River Internet has accomplished in bringing last mile broadband to residents of the Reservation.
 - Opportunities for quick visits/updates with members of both Business Councils in attendance. Also visited and updated with both Tribal Liaisons (Gary Collins and Sara Robinson). Additional contacts included Pat Moss, Great Plains Utility Director, Allison Sage, Northern Arapaho Tribal Health Director, Cathy Keene, Eastern Shoshone Tribal Health Director, Rep. Patrick Goggles, Committee Co-Chair and member of Northern Arapaho Tribe.
- Provided general DTE staff assistance throughout the year for equipment recommendations and configurations, trouble shooting problems, cost estimates for various planning scenarios.
- DTE Front Office Staff and GM worked with individual Tribal customers served by DTE in the Crowheart area to insure compliance with Lifeline requirements
- TERO License #2013-100 current and attached

Summary

The expansion of fiber optic connectivity, beyond DTE's serving area, and across the Wind River Reservation, to the Range Family fiber network necessitated broader participation and dialogue with the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho Tribes. Building trust with the Tribes is a slow and deliberate process. Tribal engagement is a necessary and ongoing process to maintain that trust. In summary, working with the Tribes has created a win-win, for the Reservation, for DTE and for the Range Family of companies.



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Fort Washakie, Wyoming 82514



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Authorized period: JANUARY 1, 2013 to DECEMBER 31, 2013


Shoshone Tribe
Chairman


Arapaho Tribe
Chairman